### TO THE PEOPLE

#### An Address by the Democratic State Committee of Korth Carolina

The following address to the people of North Carolina was issued by the democratic state committee at its

meeting in Raleigh November 30th: The representatives of the democratic party in North Carolina congratulate the democrats of her sister states, who, with a firm stand for the principles embodied in the Chicago platform, have won splendid victories for the people.

In rejoicing at the success of the democratic party in the late elections. we remind the people that democratic majorities were largest, and republican majorities were smallest in those states where that platform was the issue. It is a significant fact that democracy was defeated in the states where local concerns were allowed to overshadow the principles of the party. Democracy is for all the people. The recent utterances of the people are plain and de- ing. cided. "They have expressed their faith in the Chicago platform, their belief in bimetallism, their disgust and disapproval of republican creeds and practices, and, above all, their hatred of the tyrannous gold standard. They show that they will no longer submit to the robbery of trusts, the domination in the work and so charities can be disof bosses and the oppression of the money power." The condemnation of the hypocrisy, and falsehood of the republican party is crushing.

It is equally pronounced, whether we hear it, loud and free, on the wheat fields of Ohio and Iowa, or struggling for utterance in the wealth congested centre of "Greater New York" where the candidate for mayor received 80,000 plurality-a candidate whose only campaign utterance was: "I am a democrat, who was heart and sould for the Chicago platform and the candidates who stood on it."

No less significant is the fact that the people of the state of New York have elected by 70,000 majority as chief justice of the court of appeals, a statesman who sought support by announc- next May in Wilmington, and that Mrs. ing that he "had voted for Hon. Wm. J. Bryan last year."

And with this glorious news of democratic success we rejoice that "sham international bimetallism" has been exposed. There is now no room for republican dodging.

We reaffirm our belief in the principles of the Chicago and state platforms in North Carolina, and a committee was of the democratic party, as adopted in 1896, in their entirety; and we will still city to get their co-operation. support those principles until they are written in our laws.

We would be untrue to the firm and loyal allegiance the democratic party of North Carolina bears to our greatest leader, Hon. William J. Bryan, if we failed to express our confidence in his honor and integrity and in his devotion of head and heart to the welfare of all the people. We emphasize the fact that our great victory was won in the states of Ohio and Kentucky, where he personally appealed to the people.

We view with alarm the depressed condition of trade and the low prices of all products raised by our people, but we remind those who heard republican orators in 1896 predict dire disaster if the democrats were elected, that McKinley is president of these United States and both branches of congress are republican. The people are swift to draw the proper conclusions.

We thank all patriotic citizens who joined with us last year in carrying the state for our presidential candidate. and we invite to the future councils of the democratic party—the party of the people-all men who believe in its principles, desire its supremacy, and who will assist in carrying out its policies.

In less than one year opportunity will be given the voters to express a firm adherence to those principles. We regret that the ballot box was not this year opened to all North Carolinians. North Carolina is now accidentally republican. We do not believe that any number of intelligent and virtuous men expected or hoped for the present rule in this state. We are sure all good men are eager for a change. We have fallen on evil days in North Carolina. They recall the days of reconstruction. They | M. L. Murrell, of North West, N. C., and demonstrate the truth that no southern state can be governed with honor and decency by the republican party. Too large a number of its voters are ignorant, for the masses to control, and too large a number of the leaders are venal and corrupt, to give North Carolina good government. We look with horror upon the evils wrought by a combination of republicans and the corrupt elements of the populist party C. Yopp, and besides them Mrs. Rebecca by means of which our legislature has Bell. The other living witness is Mr. Jas. become a farce, many of our office- | Smith, of Macon, Ga. holders become corrupt and criminal, and ignorance and vice raised above intelligence and virtue. We denounce the efforts of this combination to place the insane of the state at the mercy of incompetent, vicious and lustful men, and we condemn the the changes wrought in our laws whereby ignorant and impure men have been placed in control of schools, courts, prisoners and asylums. These are the inevitable consequences of republican rule. The democratic party promises the people on its return to power to correct all these abuses. It will guarantee every citizen his rights, but it demands that virtue and intelligence shall rule the state. It will restore to the white women of the state the security they felt under the twenty years of democracy inaugurated by the immortal Vance. To the accomplishment of these ends let every patriotic citizen rally to the white man's party. "To your tents O!

ANGLO SAXONS, COME TOGETHER The following resolution was introduced by Mr. H. L. Stevens, of Duplin,

That all white electors who intend to vote with us in the next election and who desire the re-establishment of Anglo-Saxon supremacy and honest government in North Carolina, are cordially invited to participate in all of our primaries and conventions.

# Consumption Positively Cured

Mr. R. B. Greeve, merchant, of Chilhowie, Va., certifies that he had consumption, was given up to die, sought all medical treatment that money vember 30, 1897, the public debt, less could procure, tried all cough demedies cash in the treasury, amounted to he could hear of, but got no relief: spent nights sitting up in a chair; was induced to try Dr. King's New Discov- accounted for by an increase in the ery, and was cured by use of two bottles. For past three years has been King's New Discovery is the grandest much for him and also for others in his community. Dr. King's New Discovery is guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and Consumption. It don't fail. Trial bittles free at R. R. Bellamy's Drug Store.

Fayetteville Observer: The congregation of the Presbyterian church refuses to accept the resignation of the senior so, 100 for the weaming, by Bramble, pastor, Rev. A. J. McKelway, and will do dam Sady Wayward, bought by Pat all in its power to keep him here.

#### THE KINGS DAUGHTERS

Important Meeting of the Wilmington City Union-The State Convention to Meet Here in May-The Constitution of the Un ion Revised

The city Union of The King's Daughters and Sons of Wilmington, held an important meeting yesterday at 11 o'clock a. m., at Abbie Chadbourn Memoriai building, Miss Serena Chadbourn, the president presiding, and Mrs. S. H. Burtt, the secretary, being at her post.

There was a good attendance. The meeting opened with devotional exercises, after which the roll call showed that representatives were present from the Ministering Circle, the Hospital Circle, the Charitable Circle and What-So-Ever Circle.

Reports were received form the circles, showing that the work being carried on is satisfactory and the outlook encourag-

The president laid before the Union a request from the Associated Charities that the circles co-operate in all charitable work with the latter organization and make quarterly reports to the Associated Charities, so there would be no conflict pensed with a better system and method. The matter was generally discussed and the sentiment was favorable to the suggestion. The president recommended that

the circles act upon the suggestion. The president laid before the meeting a proposition to join the Needle Work Guild of America, and the matter was discussed, but no action taken.

The committee on revision of the constitution and by-laws reported the revised constitution, and it will be presented at the next regular meeting for adoption.

It was announced that the annual convention of The King's Daughters and Sons, of North Carolina, will be held Isabella Charles Davis, of the New York Central Union, would be here as a guest of the Union here. The president stated that she was anxious for all The King's Daughters and Sons in Wilmington, to co-operate in making the convention the most notable and successful one ever held appointed to call on the members in the

After transacting other business, the meeting adjourned at 1:30 o'clock p. m.

## How to Look Good

Good looks are really more than skin deep, depending entirely on a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the liver be inactive, you have a bilious look; if your stomach be disordered, you have a dyspeptic look; if your kidneys be affected, you have a pinched look. Secure good health, and you will surely have good looks, "Electric Bitters" is a good Alterative and Tonic. Acas directly on the stomach, liver and kidneys. Purifies the blood, cures pimples, blotches and boils, and gives a good complexion. Every bottle guaranteed. Sold at R. R. Bellamy's Drug Store. 50 cents per bottle.

## Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Yopp, at their home 214 North Fifth street, celebrated their golden wedding last night, they having been married in this city by the Rev. Mr. Chreitzberg, December 1st, 1847. Quite a large number of relatives and their respect to this old and happy couple, and for the occasion the parlors were tastefully decorated, the words in golden letters "1847-1897, fifty years ago," being displayed over the inner door,

Mr. and Mrs. Yopp have had born to them twelve children, five of whom are dead. The seven living children are Mr. G. W. Yopp, of Charlotte, N. C.; Mr. J. L. Yopp, of Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Emma Elsworth, of Washington, N. C.; Mrs. Messrs. S. F., W. E. and A. J. Yopp, of this city. Those who were present on Messrs, S. F., W. E. and A. J. Yopp. There were present also eight grandchildren, and three of the four living persons that were present at the marriage sisters, Mrs. Mary E. Smith, Miss Hannah

Several handsome presents were received by Mr. and Mrs. Yopp. Refreshments were served and a very pleasant evening was spent by all who were present

We tender our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Yopp, and hope they may be spared for many years to come.

## Bucklen's Arnica Salve

The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction of money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by R. R. Bell my.

Rural Postal Free Delivery Washington, December 1.-Acting Postmaster General Perry S. Heath has issued the following circular regarding the

rural postal free delivery: The ultimate success of the experiment of free delivery of mail, which is now being tried by direction of congress in will depend largely upon the promptness with which the carriers can make their deliveries to the patrons on their routes. This will be greatly facilitated and the chances of the permanency increased if those desiring to take advantage of rural free delivery will erect suitable boxes by the roadside in which carriers may deposit mails as they pass, and from which they may collect the mails intended for

December Treasury Statement Washington, December 1.-The December statement of the public debt shows that at the close of business No-\$1,009,226,466, a decrease since October 30th of \$11,338,125. This decrease is cash due to the deposit of an installment of the proceeds of the sale of the attending to business, and says Dr. government's interest in the Union Paeific railroad. But for this transaction remedy ever made, as it has done so the cash in the treasury would have ing and well. been \$771,450 less than last month.

## Sale of Thoroughbreds

Lexington, Ky., December 1.-At the Messrs. Lippman Bros., Savannah, Ga. Woodard & Shanklin sale of thoroughbreds today twenty-two horses brought over \$500 each. Seven of these were not find a cure until Ifound P. P. P., over \$1,500 and the highest paid was which completely cured me. \$5,100 for the weanling, by Bramble, Dunne, Chicago.

## NORTH CAROLINA.

The North Carolina state Baptist convention meets at Oxford on Decem-

Greenville King's Weekly: Mr. Remus Burruss, aged 22 years and Miss Sarah Smith, aged 13 years and very small for her age, were married last Sunday. It was a runaway marriage.

Greenville Weekly: In Falkland township, at a corn shucking last week, a white man named Edwards filled up on liquor, and laid down in the shucks. ext morning he was found dead. He was lying face downwards and it is not known of which he died, cold, suffocation or liquor.

Marion Democrat: The mines in Mc-Dowell are taking on new energy. Mr. Knox, on South Muddy, has ten or twelve men at his mine and is also working a night force. Colonel Horton has had his large double hydraulic machinery at work during the past week on the Vein Mountain property.

Salisbury World: The solicitor had at least twenty little boys to appear before him this morning and tell where and from whom they had gotten their cigarettes. The boys never hesitated, and each one seemed delighted at the idea of exposing either the person who gave him the cigarette, or the person from whom he purchased his supply.

Webster's Reidsville Weekly: A pie made exclusively of chicken brains is what a citizen of this county is said to have taken a fancy to many years ago and determined to gratify his appetite. It required 340 chickens and cost \$45. The chickens were given to the poor, the heads being all the epicure cared for.

Fair Bluff Times: The people of this section are investing freely in all kinds of fruit trees, and if they will give them the proper attention and cultivation they will find out in a few years they have made a good investment. We are positive of the fact that a good hard road from here to the red hill will be worth hundreds and thousands of dollars.

Monroe Enquirer: W. L. Belk, Jr., of Buford township, was brought in by Deputy Sheriff M. D. Myers yesterday and was put in jail. Belk has been "non comatabus" for some time and the officers are-congratulating themselves because of capture. Belk was wanted for assault with a deadly weapon and for retailing liquor without license.

Asheville Citizen: A letter from a Sarannah attorney to an Asheville firm indicates that with the proper amount of encouragement a large New England cotton mill would remove to Asheville. The writer states that the New England concern has made a fair proposition to remove its mill south, and for reasons which he sets forth the Asheville section is preferable. The company proposes to issue \$150,000 of stock and \$150,000 of first mortgage 20-year 6 per cent. bonds, and erect a mill of 15,000 spindles and 300 looms. The company agrees to take the stock and \$50,000 of the bonds if the people will take \$100,000 of the bonds.

Charlotte Observer: While the hacks were lined up at the Carolina Central depot last night, waiting for the Raleigh train, John Brown, porter for the Arlington hotel, got into a dispute with Chas. Smith, a little negro who has served terms on the chain gang. Smith drew a pistol, and as he was pulling down on Brown, some one knocked it from his He made his escape.—Attached to the Southern vestibule train from Washington yesterday morning was a special car containing a party of capitalists from New York. They were on the way to Spartanburg to investigate the advantages offered by that section for cotton milling investments. They expect to put their money in Southern mills .-High Point, November 27.-Today while party of a dozen men were out hunting rabbits a gun was accidentally discharged, wounding three of the party, but none seriously.-Scotland Neck, November 29.-There was a row and free fight amongst some negroes at Hobgood, a town a few miles down the road. Saturday night. The result was that Lawrence Hewell is dead and Reuben Smith is in the town prison here. They had imbibed freely, and in some way got into a difficulty of words, when a desperate fight ensued. Knives were used freely. friends called during the evening to pay | Howell and Smith were the chief combatants, and while rolling in the struggle Lawrence's jugular vein was cut and he soon died. Smith was charged with the killing and Messrs. G. K. Moore and S. W. Everett brought him to town yesterday. He was bloody all over, nearly, and himself gashed badly about the face. Raleigh News and Observer: Rev.

Henry Crosby, colored, a well known preacher in the Baptist church and school teacher, died in Raleigh about 7 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He was principal of the Plymouth Normal school for ten years, but gave it up some time ago-Clayton, N. C., November 29.-(Special.)-Our little town was stirred up today about 2 o'clock by a negro falling in a well in the rear of Mr. I. W. Dodd's this occasion were Mrs. Emma Elisworth, stables. Mr. Dodd said he told the negro to draw some water to water the stock in the stable, when next thing he heard was a big scramble and a loud call for help. "I am in de well." Ropes were brought and he was brought out with a bad cut head and very wet clothes .of Mr. and Mrs. Yopp, namely; his two Hickory, N. C., November 27 .- On Thursday night a mysterious crime was committed at Earney's chapel, in Burke county, about three miles from this place. Several days ago a small child died of diptheria in that neighborhood and was buried in the graveyard adjoining the chapel. This morning parties passing by the spot saw that the grave had been opened. Upon investigation the coffin was found standing upright in the grave. The coffin had been burst open and contained a few leaves. The body was in it, undisturbed except that the clothing was disarranged .- Aurora, N. C., November 29.-A very destructive fire took place here today. The large ginning establishment, barrel factory and grist mill, belonging to J. B. Whithurt, was burned this morning about 8 o'clock. F. F. Cherry had stored in a warehouse adjoining some one hundred and twenty bales of cotton, part of which was saved in a damaged condition. His loss was about seventy-five bales. Several other parties lost from one to ten bales. Some fifty tons of cotton seed was also destroyed. The warehouse of the Old Dominion Steamship Company was saved by great exertions. The total loss will foot up some six or seven thousand dollars. Mr. Whithurt has been truly unfortunate by fire, his saw mill and planing works having been burned about three

Having used three bottles of P. P. P. rural districts of the United States, for impure blood and general weakness and having derived great benefit from the same, having gained 14 pounds in weight in four weeks, I take great pleasure in recommending it to all unfortunate like

Yours truly. JOHN MORRIS.

Office of J. N. McElroy, Druggist, Orlando, Fla., April 20, 1891. Messrs. Lippman Bros., Savannah, Ga. Dear Sirs:-I sold three bottles of P.

P. P. large size yesterday, and one bottle small size today. The P. P. cured my wife of rheumatism winter before last. It came back on her the past winter and a half bottle, \$1 size, relieved her again, and

she has not had a symptom since. I sold a bottle of P. P. P. to a friend of mine, one of the turkies, a small one, took sick and his wife gave it a teaspoonful, that was in the evenir and the little fellow turned over like b was dead, but next morning he was hollow-

Yours respectfully,

Dear Sirs:-I have suffered from rheumatism for a long time and did Yours truly,

16 Orange St., Savannah, Ga.

Savannah, Ga., March 17, 1891.

J. N. McELROY.

ELIZA JONES.

WILLINGTON MARKETS.

COTTON REPORT. Wilmington, N. C., November 1. Receipts of cotton today-2,222 bales. Receipts same day last year-2,453 bales. This season's receipts to date-210,515

Receipts to same date last year-176,574 The quotations posted at 4 o'clock today at the exchange.

Cotton firm. Ordinary...... 2 15-16 Middling..... 5% NAVAL STORES.

Spirits turpentine-Machine barrels firm at 30c; country barrels firm at 291/2c. Rosin dull at \$1.15 and \$1.20. Tar quiet at \$1.06. Crude turpentine steady; hard \$1.40; yellow dip \$1.90; Virgin \$1.90. Prices same day last year-Spirits turpentine 24c and 231/4c; rosin \$1.45 and \$1.50; tar \$1.10; crude turpentine \$1.45.

\$2.00 and \$1.90. Receipts today-165 casks spirts turpentine, 502 barrels rosin, 211 barrels tar, 84 barrels crude turpentine. Receipts same day last year-151 casks spirits turpentine; 464 barrels rosin,; 73

barrels tar; 36 barrels crude turpentine. COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Peanuts-North Carolina. prime 55/260c per bushel; extra prime, 65c; fancy 721/2c. Virginia-Extra prime, 40@45c. Rice-Uplands, 66@80c; lowlands, \$1.10@

Corn-471/2@50c. North Carolina Bacon-Hams, 10@11c; shoulders, 6@64c; sides, 74@8c. Chickens-Dull; spring 10@18c; hens 18@25c; roosters, 18@22c. Turkeys, (live), 7c to 10c per pound.

Eggs-Firm at 18c. Shingles-Per 1,000 five inch, hearts and saps, \$1.05@2.10; six inch, \$2.50@3.50, Timber at \$3.00 to \$8.00 per 1,000 feet.

# MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH

FINANCIAL.

New York, December 1.-Money on call easy at 11/2@2 per cent.; last loan at 11/2@ 13/4 per cent, closed at 13/4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3@31/2 per cent. Sterling exchange easy with actual business in bankers bills at \$4.85% @4.86 for demand, and at \$4.83@4.8314 for sixty days. Posted rates \$4.84 and \$4.87. Commercial bills at ment bonds firm; state bonds dull; railroad bonds strong.

STOCKS.	
Atchison 123/4	W. & L. E 23/8
В. & О 12	W. & L. E. pre. 9
Ches & Ohio 2134	Adams Ex156
Chic. & Alton161	American Ex117
Chie. B. & Q 961/2	United States 40
Del. & Hudson110	Wells Far110
Del., L. & W154	Am. Cot. Oil 231/2
Fort Wayne 16934	Am Cot Oil, pre. 76%
Illinois Central10234	Am Tobacco 83%
L. & N 551/2	Am Tobac, pre110
Manhattan L102%	People's Gas 941/8
Mobile & Ohio 251/2	Con. Gas1861/2
N. J. Central 87	Gen. Electric 331/4
N. Y. Central 1073%	Lead 34
Pittsburg16734	Nat. Lin. Oil 16
Reading 221/4	Pacific Mail 30
Southern Ry 9	Pullman Pal172
South. Ry., pre., 301/8	Silver Cer 591/2
Texas & Pacific. 1114	Sugar13934
U. P. D. & G 71/2	T. C. & Iron 251/4
Wabash, pre 1814	West. Union 88%
COTTON	

COTTON. Liverpool, December 1,-4 p. m.-Cotton-Spot, moderate business; prices unchanged; American middling 31/4d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export, and including 7,400 American. Receipts 31,000 bales, including 25,800 American. Futures opened quiet with a poor demand and

closed irregular. American middling, low middling clause: December 3 9-64d buyers; December and January 3 9-64d buyers; January and February 3 8-64d buyers; February and March 3 8-64d, 3 9-64d buyers; March and April 3 9-64d buyers; April and May 3 10-64d buyers; May and June 3 11-64d, 3 12-64d sellers; June and July 3 12-64d, 3 13-64d buyers; July and August 3 14-64d buyers: August and September 3 14-64d, 3 45-64d buyers; September and October 3 15-64d, 3 16-64d buyers; October and No-

vember 3 16-64d, 3 17-64d buyers. New York, December 1 .- Cotton dull; middling 5 13-16c; net receipts 263, gross re ceipts 8,301; exports to Great Britain 2,336; forwarded 4,614; sales none; stock 91,088. Total today: Net recipts 47,558; exports to Great Britain 4,619; to France 15,364; to the continent 2,594; stock 1,023,564. Consolidated: Net receipts 289,903; exports to Great Britain 78,354; to France

12,341; to the continent 81,357. Total since September 1st: Net receipts 3.984,388; exports to Great Britain 1,262,016; to France 349,792; to the continent 972,683. Futures opened dull but steady, and closed barely steady; sales 143,900 bales: January 5.65; February 5.69; March 5.74; April 5.79; May 5.84; June 5.89; July 5.83; ugust 5.98; September 6.00; October 5.99; December 5.61. Spot cotton closed dull; middling up-

lands 5 13-16c; middling gulf 6 1-16c; sales PORT RECEIPTS. Galveston-Firm at 5%c; net receipts Norfolk-Steady at 51/2c; net receipts Baltimore-Nominal at 5%c; net receipts 2,030; gross receipts 4,441. Boston-Quiet at 5 13-16c; net receipts S14; gross receipts 5,228. Wilmington-Firm at 5%c; net receipts Philadelphia-Firm at 6 1-16c; net re-Savannah-Steady at 5%c; net receipts New Orleans-Easy at 5%c; net receipts Mobile-Quiet at 5 3-16c; net receipts Memphis-Steady at 54c; net receipts 554; gross receipts 5,008 Augusta-Steady at 5 7-16c; net receipts 535; gross receipts 1,637. Charleston-Quiet at 5 3-16c; net receipts Cincinnati-Quiet at 51/2c; net receipts Louisville-Steady at 5%c. St. Louis-Quiet at 5 5-16c; net receipts .585; gross receipts 11,343. Houston-Steady at 5%c; net receipts

GRAIN AND PROVISION. Chicago, December 1.-The leading futures were as follows: Open. High. Low. Clos. Wheat-

December ..... January ...... 92% 9214 911/4 91% May ..... 91% 901/2 90% Corn-December ..... 291/8 May ..... . 20% December ..... May ..... 221/8 Mess pork per bbl— 221/4 221/8 December .....\$7.121/2 \$7.121/2 \$7.021/2 \$7.121/2 January ...... 8.121/2 8.171/2 8.121/2 May ..... 8.40 8.45 8.40 Lard, per 100 lbs. December .....\$4.00 \$4.05 \$4.00 \$4.05 January ..... 4.20 4.221/2 4.171/2 December ....\$4.15 \$4.17½ \$4.15 \$4.17½ January ..... 4.15 4.20 May ...... 4.271/2 4.321/2 4.271/2 4.321/2 Cash quotations were as follows: Flour

barely steady; No. 2 yellow corn, 264c; No. 2 spring wheat, 90@904c; No. 3 spring wheat, 83@91c; No. 2 red, 964@964c; No. 2 corn, 26c; No. 2 oats, 214c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 231/2c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 231/4@ 24c; mess pork, per bbl., \$7.15@7.20; lard, per 100 lbs., \$4.20@4.22½; short ribs sides, loose, \$4.10@4.60; dry salted shoulders, boxed, 4%@5c; short clear sides, boxed, \$4.45@4.55; whiskey, distillers' finished goods, per gal., \$1.19.

New York, December 1.-The flour market remained in a rut without change Wheat-Spot weak: No. 2 red, 984c f. o. b. afloat. Options opened steady on for-

eign buying, eased off under local selling pressure, advanced sharply on a squeeze of December shorts and strong late cables, but finally collapsed under a bear raid and closed at 16 % net lower. No.

2 red, May closed at 33%c; December closed at 96%c. Corn-Spot steady; No. 2, 33%c f. o. 1

afloat. Options opened steady on cables, advanced on big clearances but subse-quently eased off with wheat and closed ractically unchanged. May closed at 34%c; December closed at 31%c. Oats-Spot steady: No. 2, 2546254c. Options active and firmer, closing at 4c et advance. February closed at Ic. May closed at 27%c; December closed at

Lard-Dull; western steamed \$4.45; December \$4.40 nominal; refined quiet; con-tinent \$4.65; South American \$5.15; compound 4044c.

Pork-Quiet. Eggs-Steady; western fresh 22c.

Rice-Firm.

Cotton Seed Oil-Steady, but buyers scarce; butter oil 241/427c. Coffee-Options spened steady at a net advance of 10 points and ruled moderateactive on local covering and switching to more remote deliveries on fears of reaction from over discounting heavy actual and prospective supplies, and predicted smaller Brazilian shipments; closed steady, net unchanged to 10 points advance; sales 15,750 bags, including De-cember (1897), \$5.60; May \$5.25@6.00; December (1898), \$6.25676,30. Spot Rio steady; No. 7 invoice 6%c; No. 7 jobbing 6%c; mild steady; Cordova 81/614c. Sugar-Raw firm; fair refining 3 5-16c; Centrifugal 96 test, 3%c; refined firm.

NAVAL STORES. New York-Rosin steady; turpentine

Charleston-Turpentine firm at 30c sales none. Rosin firm, unchanged; sales Savannah-Spirits turpentine at 30@30%c bid; sales 225; receipts 1,683. Rosin firm and unchanged; no sales reported; receipts 3,980.

#### Cotton Futures (Special to The Messenger.)

New York, December 1.-The tendency of the cotton market was steady lownward today. Each point, however, was bitterly contested, and the net decline is small. Liverpool was practically unchanged this morning and our market opened at last night's closeing figures, January selling on the first call at 5.70. Liverpool sent some selling orders here. The bears plucked \$4.82\%. Silver certificates 59\%@60; bar sil-ver 59\%. Mexican dollars 46\%. Governpeople with large spot connections sold heavily against this. The buying was by the commission houses. There was decidedly more disposition to sell than for some time past and only the excellent demand prevented a break. Receipts were comparatively light, but the south was offering cotton more freely. January declined to 5.85 and closed at that figure with the tone of the market barely steady. Unles receipts become moderate in the near future lower prices are probable.

#### RIORDAN & CO. (By Associated Press.)

New York, December 1.-There was a dull market for cotton at an advance of one point developed on the first call. after which changes were very narrow, the most active positions being confined to a range of 3 to 5 points with the market at the close fairly steady at the lowest level of the day, a net decline of 2 to 4 points. Sellers were disposed to be conservative on fears that bearish crop conditions may have been overdiscounted in present exceptionally low prices. There was practically no outside speculative interests in cotton today. In the afternoon the market was weakened by larger offerings of cotton from the south. Leading local commission houses were seen to be quietly buying on all weak intervals today and gradually absorbing the offerings of the weaker parties.

#### New York Stock Market New York, December 1.-With only

insignificant interruptions, prices tended steadily upwards all day on the stock exchange, closing at about the highest, with a very bueyant tone. Net gains exceed a point in nearly all stocks. The advances at the opening were trivial and trading was not very active, but as the day advanced the scope of the speculation broadened and assumed a more aggressive and confident tone. The strength of the market developed first in Sugar and spread gradually through the market, separate stocks being advanced sharply, one after the other, before the whole market took up the movement. Missouri Pacific, American Tobacco, Michigan Central, Illinois Central and Cotton Oil preferred were among the earliest affected in the order named. Later, the coalers developed strength and i was not until the closing hour that the grangers and the market generally responded in any marked degree. Some of the stocks which developed most activity and strength yesterday, were somewhat neglected today, while the rest of the market rose to a proportionate level. The bear element did not yield without a struggle and was not driven to cover till late in the day, when the scramble of the shorts materially aided the rise. There was no news of importance during the day, the bullish sentiment on the exchange being rather a crystalizing of several day's impressions. The successful conclusion of the Rock Island refunding scheme continued to be much talked of as did the favorable railroad statements for October. The Burlington statement especially was interpreted more favorably than yesterday, the earnings reported being exceeded only by those of September of this year. The small excess shown over the earnings of October last year is due to the fact that last year's earnings for that month were exceptionally large. The almost subsidence of apprehension over the Cuban question also had its ef-

There was some awakening of outside interest manifested in the buying through commission houses. This was not on a large scale, however, and the day's rise was for the most part due to the operations of a powerful combined interest. The stock of southern railroads showed a notable tendency to lag. The October statement of Louisville and Nashville, probably, had its influence on this group, showing, as it did, a heavy decrease in gross earnings combined with an increase in the operating expenses which brought the decrease in net earnings up to \$127,-831. It is significant of the duliness of street for some time past that a stock exchange seat which was offered at auction today found no bidders and was bought in for \$17,000 for the estate which offered it. It should be stated in this connection that the ownership of a seat does not carry with it membership in the exchange without election of the exchange itself. No impression was made on the money mardividend disbursements.

The bond market was strong and very active, the speculative in showing notable advances; total sales were \$3,600,000. United States new 4's advanced %c bid. The total sales of stocks today were 390,900 shares.

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The proper course for our farmers to pursue under the circumstances, we think, is to plant less cotton and some tobacco, raise plenty of "hog and hominy" feed for man and beast, more wheat, more stock, more poultry, etc., and last, but by no means least, for ever hereafter vote the democratic ticket-for good white government .-Kinston Free Press.

Let us suppose that this charge had been made and proved against a democratic senator. Is there any doubt that the republicans would have clamored for his resignation? The same would have been true had the slander been perpetrated by any state officer, however unimportant. Butler may as well realize that he is condemned out of his own mouth, and that the most becoming act of his life would be to retire from public view at once and forever .- Asheville Citizen.

It seems to us there is a sort of derangement of the natural laws of cause and effect in these two facts: (1) a denominational college fattens upon money made by the manufacture of cigarettes, and (2) the official body controlling the college denounces the manufacture and sale of the aforesaid cigarettes. We can't make the two things harmonize. Somehow or other, the idea of inconsistency bobe up whenever we think about the matter. -Winston Sentinel.

The whole political atmosphere seems now to be tainted without giving out any fertilizer essence valuable to the soil. In the days of honor men holding positions of importance and trust who no longer represented the sentiments of their constituents had the manhood to resign. When a governor and a United States senator and their "help" have befouled and scandalized a state and cannot withdraw from the complaints, discontents and reproaches of an honestly indignant people, they ought for the sake of posterity retire to some secluded quarter and rest from the disgraceful labors of their damnable heresies.-Otho Wilson's Hayseeder.

Quoting these extracts The Wilmington Messenger speaks of the need of a history of North Carolina "prepared with extreme care," and adds, "Dr. Hufham could do it excellently." So he could. He is one of the first men of the state and, has the rare gift of writing almost as well as he can preach. We use "almost" advisedly, for when Dr. Hufham is at his best in the pulpit he is the equal in the highest order of eloquence of any minister North Carolina has produced. If Dr. Hufham would write a complete history, it would be accurate and valuable, and as readable as a novel. He is one man who is never dull. It is doubtful whether Dr. Hufham can spare the time to write a complete history.-Raleigh News and Observer.

## Report of the Armor Plate Commission

Washington, December 1.-The naval board appointed by authority of congress to ascertain the cost of an armor plant made its report through Commodore Howell to Secretary Long today. The report makes a volumnious document treating every detail of the process of armor making essential to a correct apprehension of the cost of the plant and of the product. It is also accompanied by elaborate plans for the plant which have been verified by Expert Fritz. The cost of a plant suitable for the making of naval armor at the rate of about 6,000 tons per annum, which is fully equal to the capacity of both of the existing private plants is set down as about \$3,750,000. No recommendation is made as to the location of the plant, but the board has accumulated much information as to the merits of various eligible locations, which may be had by congress if called for by it. Secretary Long will now proceed immediately to take the next step necessary to carry out the wishes of congress, namely: invite proposals by advertisement for building such a plant as that designed for the use of the government.

## HOW TO BE BEAUTIFUL

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POSITIVE PROOF. A lady friend of mine has for several years been troubled with bumps and pimples on her face and neck, for which she used various cosmetics in order to remove them and beautify and improve her complexion; but these local applications were only temporary,

and left her skin in worse condition. I recommended an internal preparation-known as Botanic Blood Balm. (B. B. B.) which I have been using and selling about two years; she used three bottles and all pimples have disappeared; her skin is soft and smooth and her general health much improved. She expresses herself much gratified, and can recommend it to all who are thus affected. Mrs. S. M. Wilson, Iron Moun-

tain, Texas. For sale by Druggists.

Work of the American Mission Board Boston, December 1.-The editor of The Missionary Herald, of the American Board, Rev. Dr. E. E. Strong, has compiled statistics of Protestant missions in this and other lands for the past year. as follows: The number of stations of the American Board is: Outstations 1.126; American laborers 543; native laborers 2,-956; churches 479; communicants 44,606; number added last year 3,914; schools of all grades 1.181; total number under instruction 54.615; native contributions for all purposes \$113,039; cost of missions

# Shaefer Wins the Fourth Game

New York, December 1.-"Wizard" Jacob Schaefer won the fourth game of the billiard tournament at the 18-inch bank in Madison Square Garden concert hall this afternon from George Sutton. the young Canadian expert, Schaefer had run out by the time Sutton had scored 452. The "Wizard's" highest was 51, while Sutton placed his high mark at business which has prevailed in Wall 38, making more than thirty, however, on several occasions.

## Hanna Has the Grip

Cleveland, Ohio, December 1 .- Senator Hanna has been suffering with a severe cold for the last few days and today it developed into a case of the grip and he was ordered to ted by his physician. He will probably be confined to his home for several days and ket today by the periodical interest and will not be able to be in Washington at the opening of congress,